REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 8 and 9 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-7 and 10-20 are canceled by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, the application was indicated as being allowable except for formal matters. More particularly, the Office Action requires cancellation of non-elected Claims 1-7 and 10-20 before this application may issue.

In view of the present response, each of the outstanding formal matters are believed to have been addressed. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance; and it is hereby respectfully requested that this case be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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